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Forest Data and Transparency: '*Zoom in*' on the Experience of the **Democratic Republic of the Congo**

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Building global capacity to increase transparency in the forestry sector

Key messages

- The Paris Agreement and its call for better and more transparent data are instrumental.
- A fully functioning multipurpose National Forest Monitoring System (NFMS) allows countries to respond to their own forest data needs .
- Forest data transparency is key to supporting higher levels of ambition for the roles of forests in climate change action.

FAO/GEF CBIT-Forest project

- A two-year (2019-2021) global project to step up developing countries' ability to collect, analyze and disseminate **forest-related data, to make forest data transparent, accessible and available** in line with the Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF).
- Aims to increase institutional and technical **capacities** and to boost **knowledge-sharing** and **awareness-raising** about the ETF particularly in the forest sector.

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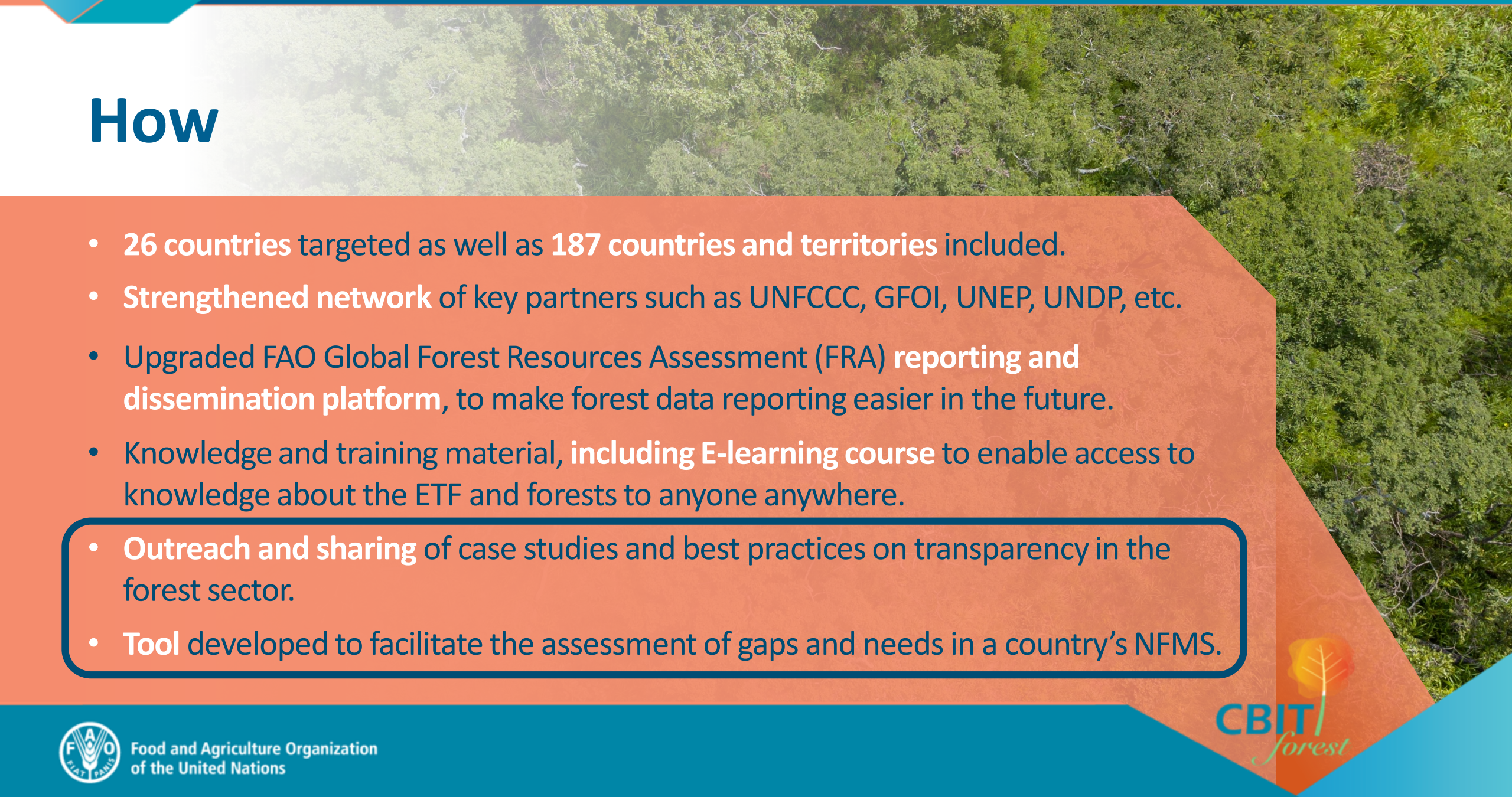
How



- **26 countries** targeted as well as **187 countries and territories** included.
- **Strengthened network** of key partners such as UNFCCC, GFOI, UNEP, UNDP, etc.
- Upgraded FAO Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) **reporting and dissemination platform**, to make forest data reporting easier in the future.
- Knowledge and training material, **including E-learning course** to enable access to knowledge about the ETF and forests to anyone anywhere.
- **Outreach and sharing** of case studies and best practices on transparency in the forest sector.
- **Tool** developed to facilitate the assessment of gaps and needs in a country's NFMS.

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Boosting transparency of forest data for climate action

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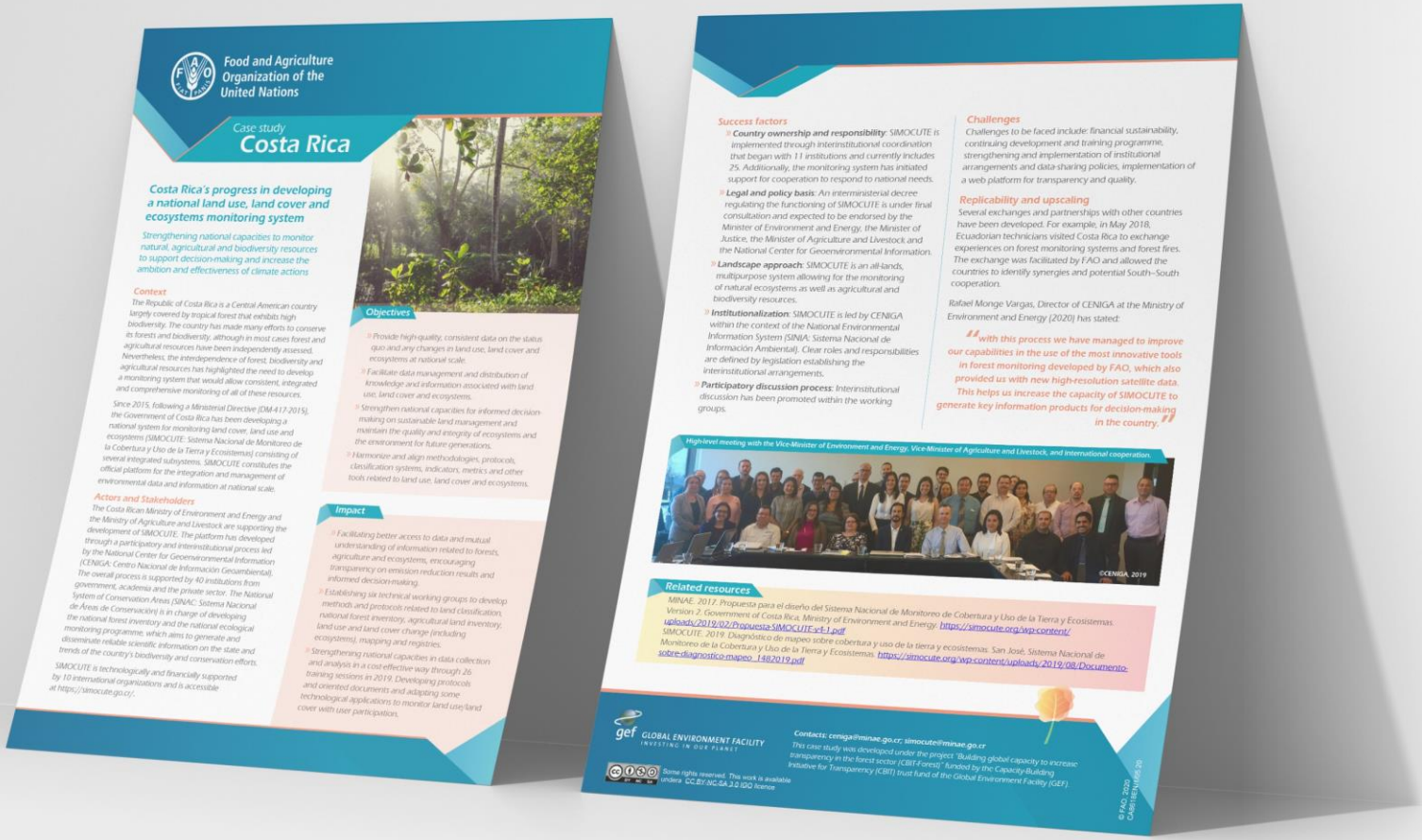

Case studies

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Case studies

Democratic Republic of the Congo

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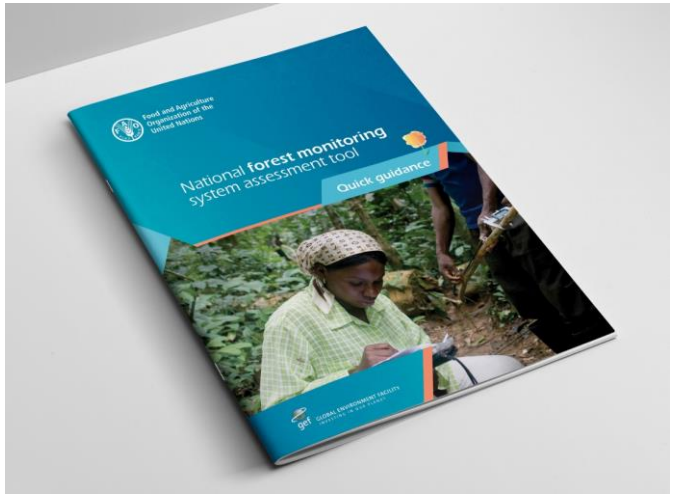
National Forest Monitoring System (NFMS) assessment tool

How can a country benefit?

- ✓Based on FAO's Voluntary Guidelines on National Forest Monitoring;
- ✓Designed for country MRV/ETF needs and gaps assessment;
- ✓Helps build a work plan;
- ✓Helps measures progress;



Online Course

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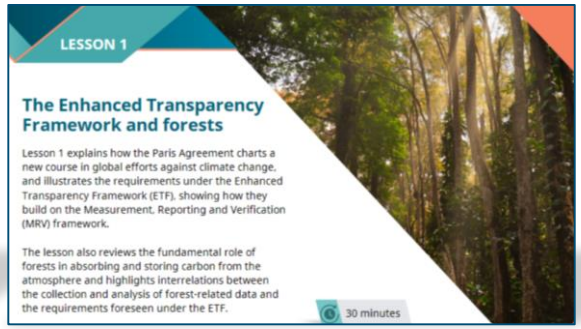
Lesson 1

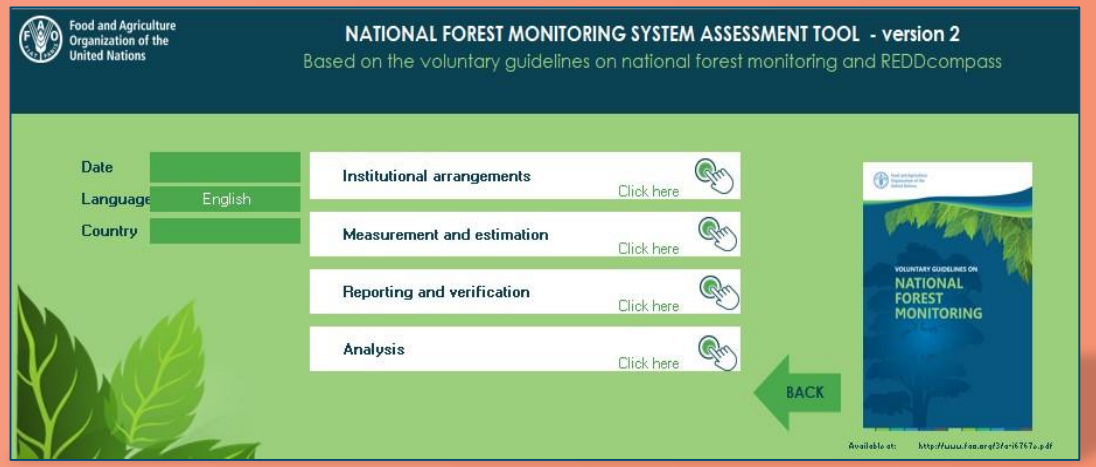


Lesson 2

Lesson 3

NFMS assessment tool

Free and accessible already in English, French and Spanish



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